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SUMMARY: A MAJOR ARTICLE IN THE JAN 21 PEOPLE'S DAILY ON PARTY "ORGANIZATIONAL WORK" RESUMES THE INDIRECT ATTACK ON VICE CHAIRMAN WANG TUNG-HSING'S HANDLING OF ORGANIZATION WORK IN THE RECENT PAST AND EMPHASIZES THE UNIQUE QUALIFI-CATIONS OF PARTY VETERANS LED BY TNEG HSIAO-PING TO "MEET THE NEEDS FOR THE CURRENT STRUGGLE". END SUMMARY

1. PEOPLE'S DAILY (JAN 21) CARRIES YET ANOTHER MAJOR COMMENTARY ON THE PARTY'S ORGANIZATIONAL WORK. THE ARTICLE CRDEITS TENG HSIAO-PING WITH THE CURRENT POLICY ON THE
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REHABILITATION OF CADRES UNJUSTLY CONDEMNED BY THE "GANG". IT CITES AS EVIDENCE A 1975 TENG ADDRESS TO THE MILITARY COMMISSION AND PRAISES THIS TALK FOR EXPOSING THE LIN PIAO AND "GANG" CONSPIRACY ON THE QUESTION OF CADRE. THE ACCOMPANYING EDITOR'S NOTE POINTS OUT THAT THE ARTICLE EXPRESSES THE OPINIONS OF THOSE "OLD COMRADES" WHO HAVE EXPERIENCE IN WAGING

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LINES AND THAT THESE OPINIONS "MEET THE NEEDS FOR
THE CURRENT STRUGGLE".

2. AFTER REVIEWING TENG'S INSTRUCTION AND THE
IMPORTANCE OF VETERAN CADRES IN SETTING RIGHT THE
ORGANIZATIONAL WORK OF THE PARTY, THE ARTICLE ONCE
AGAIN DRAWS CIRCUMSTANTIAL RINGS AROUND PARTY VICE
CHAIRMAN WANG TUNG-HSING -- WITHOUT NAMING HIM,
ATTACKING HIS MANIPULATION OF ORGANIZATION DEPARTMENT
WORK. WHEN LIN AND THE "GANG" RAN RAMPANT, THE
ARTICLES CHARGES, ORGANIZATION DEPARTMENTS OFTEN
DISREGARGED PROPER PERSONNEL POLICIES AND LIN AN
"GANG" CONFIDANTS WERE PLANTED IN IMPORTANT POSITIONS.
THE ARTICLE EXPLAINS FURTHER THAT DURING THE CULTURAL
REVOLUTION (CR) "THE WORK OF SCREENING CADRES WAS
UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE BACKBONE ELEMENTS OF CERTAIN
FACTIONALIST SETUPS". AND THESE INDIVIDUALS WERE
RESPONSIBLE FOR TRUMPING UP CHARGES AGAINST RESPONSIBLE
CADRES WHO WERE THEN DISMISSED. BRINGING THE
ARGUMENT DOWN TO THE PRESENT, THE ARTICLE DEMANDS
THAT SUCH INDIVIDUALS "MUST BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR
WHAT THEY HAVE DONE" AND THAT EVEN NOW THEY
INTIMIDATE LOWER-LEVEL OFFICIALS WHO FEAR TO OFFEND
THEM. THE ARTICLE ALSO CRITICIZES THOSE WHO ARGUE
THAT "ORGANIZATION AND PROPAGANDA WORK CAN BE
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COMBINED TOGETHER" -- A SUPERVISORY POSITION WHICH
WANG IS PRESUMED TO HAVE HELD SINCE THE PURGE OF
THE "GANG" AND WHICH RECENT APPOINTMENTS SEEM AIMED
AT DILUTING. (WANG'S POSITION AS SUPERVISOR WAS
PROBABLY INHERITED FROM THE LATE KANG SHENG,
IDENTIFIED IN HIS OBITUARY IN A CR ROLE AS "HEAD
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